

Amendments to the Specification:

Please replace the following paragraph at line 1 of page 1:

~~DESCRIPTION~~TITLE

Please add the following new paragraph after the paragraph ending on line 3 of page 1:

CROSS REFERENCE TO RELATED APPLICATIONS

The present application claims priority to Japanese Patent Document No. P2003-280602 filed on July 28, 2003 and Japanese Patent Document No. P2004-114356 filed on April 8, 2004, the disclosures of which are herein incorporated by reference.

Please delete the following subtitle on line 6 of page 1:

~~Field of the Invention~~

Please delete the following subtitle on line 11 of page 1:

~~Description of Related Art~~

Please add the following new Title after the paragraph ending on line 17 of page 2:

SUMMARY

Please delete the following Title on line 25 of page 2:

~~Disclosure of the Invention~~

Please add the following new paragraph after the paragraph ending at line 9 on page 5:

Additional features and advantages of the present invention are described in, and will be apparent from, the following Detailed Description and the Figures.

Please replace the Title on page 5, line 11 with the following rewritten Title:

~~Brief Description of the Drawings~~BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF THE FIGURES

Please replace the Title on page 7, line 1 with the following rewritten Title:

~~Best Modes for Carrying out the Invention~~**DETAILED DESCRIPTION**

Please add the following new paragraph after the paragraph ending at line 2 on page 29:

It should be understood that various changes and modifications to the presently preferred embodiments described herein will be apparent to those skilled in the art. Such changes and modifications can be made without departing from the spirit and scope of the present invention and without diminishing its intended advantages. It is therefore intended that such changes and modifications be covered by the appended claims.

Please replace the Abstract on page 38 with the following rewritten Abstract:

ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

Ionic conductor, method of manufacturing same, and electrochemical device are provided. An ionic conductor insoluble to water and fuel, and capable of stably allowing ions such as protons to conduct therethrough, a method of manufacturing the same, and an electrochemical device. The ionic conductor having a derivative in which an ion-dissociative group is bound to a carbonaceous substance composed of at least one species selected from the group consisting of fullerene molecule, cluster mainly composed of carbon, and structure of linear or tubular carbon; and a polymer of a substance having a basic group. A method of manufacturing an ionic conductor having a step of dissolving the above-described derivative; and a polymer of the substance having the basic group; into a solvent to thereby prepare a homogeneous solution; and a step of removing the solvent. An electrochemical device having a negative electrode, a positive electrode, and an ionic conductor held therebetween, wherein the ionic conductor is composed of the ionic conductor of the present invention described in the above.